

The Prompter

Rome Community Theater

8911 Turin Road Rome, NY

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December 2023



Over the River and Through the Woods is an endearing comedy centered around Nick, who is a single, Italian American guy from New Jersey. His whole life, Nick has faithfully eaten dinner every Sunday with his maternal and paternal grandparents, but things are about to change when Nick announces he's been offered his dream job – in Seattle! The grandparents devise a series of schemes to try and keep Nick around, including inviting the lovely and single Caitlin O'Hare to dinner. Tickets are available at this link or QR code.

https://romecommunitytheaterbo.ludus.com/index.php



Holiday Party and Membership Meeting At the Theater January 7, 2024, 3:00 PM

Bring a snack to share (sweet or savory)

<u>Donations</u> collected for Connected Community Schools. Please consider bringing financial donations and/or canned soups, stews, ravioli, SpaghettiOs, etc. that are always needed for both schools and home packages. All members are encouraged to come join the fun!

Contact person: Ella Alsheimer, 315-336-6540





LETTERS TO SALA BY ARLENE HUTTON

7 Women (ages 16-60+) December 10 & 11 3 Men (16-30+)

6:00—9:00 PM

Directed by Adam Kenneth Jackson Produced by Shane Archer Reed

For auditions materials and more information, please email the director: akj2136@columbia.edu

Adapted from the book *Sala's Gift* by Ann Kirschner and based on a true account, "Letters to Sala" is a remarkable story of a young girl's survival during wartime Germany. Five years. Seven Nazi labor camps. Over 350 hidden letters. Sala Garncarz Kirschner kept her secret for over fifty years, concealing her incredibly painful history in a Spill and Spell box. Everything changes when Sala reveals the cache to her grown daughter, Ann. Sala's letters, which were displayed in a special exhibition at the New York Public Library in 2006, are an important addition to Holocaust research, called "the greatest find since Anne Frank's diary." Produced by special arrangement with Dramatists Play Service, NY.



2023 RCT Family Christmas Carol Written & Directed by Dave Bush December 28-30 at 7:00 PM

The RCT Family Christmas Carol is an original, comedic, musical adaptation of the classic Charles Dickens story featuring a cast and crew of all ages and abilities sharing the stage in this holiday offering. All ages are invited to share in the fun this production offers! Click this link for tickets.

https://romecommunitytheaterbo.ludus.com/200445527

Note: The Family Christmas Carol is NOT a Season Show. Tickets for this show are NOT part of show passes and NOT eligible for Flex tickets. The show is all General Admission, NO reserved seats. Tickets are available online, processing fees are included in price. Tickets are Adult -\$15, Student \$10. Access this QR code for tickets, also. See you at the show!



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Box Office Bits

Phone calls may take 24-48 hours for a response. Box Office is open 1 hour before the show. *Please remember RCT is a 100% volunteer organization, and we are always looking for more volunteers.* Looking forward to seeing you at the show!

Season ticket holders- have a schedule conflict with the play date? PLEASE CONTACT BOX OFFICE IN ADVANCE TO **CHANGE YOUR DAY**. Changing the date on the day of play at box office does hold up the line so please try to avoid this. Please email boxoffice@romecommunitytheater.org for the quickest response. Phone calls may take a few days for a response, please speak clearly, and leave your number. Best chance to get same or close seats is to contact at least a week before the show. Remember, shows run 2 weekends--we will do our best to get you a great spot. Purchased online tickets? You do not have to print them. You can show the ticket on your phone; the Ushers have a list of all online purchases. Need a Christmas/Holiday Gift? Flex tickets are available still. A flex pack has 5 tickets that can be used at any of the remaining season shows for \$70. You do not have to be a member to purchase. You can do so directly through a link on Facebook, Instagram, and other social media sites or directly through RCT website romecommunitytheater.org

FROM THE PREZ: Greetings, theater friends!

You probably heard there was a changing of the guard ... back in July, but we at RCT have been so busy, sitting down to write this column (and having room to include it) was a challenge, so this is my first. After a wonderfully successful summer, with "Rock of Ages" and children's show "Rockin' Robin Hood," we transitioned quickly to our regular season musical "Once Upon a Mattress," all 3 productions securing TANYS awards. Never a dull moment, we again have 2 productions in process, "Over the River Through the Woods" and a family adaptation of "A Christmas Carol." Keeping the momentum going, auditions for "Letters to Sala" are scheduled for Dec. 10 & 11. At the board level, we have also been the beneficiary of grant funding for "Rockin' Robin Hood," thanks to director (& board 1st VP) Kirstin Walker, and for infrastructure improvements due to the efforts of Financial Sec'y Maria Rich. Our annual membership meeting/holiday party is coming up January 7th, 3 PM at the theater. Finally, over the past 2 years we have been surveying cast & crew of our shows for input about what they've liked and would like to see improved regarding the theater and their experiences. This has led to the suggestion that we ask you-our loyal patrons and members--for your thoughts as well. Keep an eye out early next year for an invitation to share your thoughts. Happy holidays to all, and to all ... see you at the show!

Steve Hampe, RCT President (2023-24)